

**REMARKS**

In view of the above amendments and the following remarks, reconsideration of the outstanding office action is respectfully requested.

By this Amendment, claim 1 has been amended to incorporate the language of allowable claim 2, claims 3-5 and 76 have been amended to correct their dependency to claim 1, and claims 2, 6-12, 14, 16-39, 47-75, 77-102, and 104-182 have been canceled. Claims 1, 3-5, 76, 103, and 183-188 are pending, with claims 4-5, 76, and 183-188 being withdrawn as not drawn to the elected Group or the elected and examined species. Claims 2-3 are indicated to be allowable if rewritten in independent form. Applicants note that in the Office Action Summary, claim 103 is indicated to be both withdrawn and examined. As claim 103 has been examined and rejected as described below, it appears that claim 103 was erroneously identified as withdrawn in the Office Action Summary and is, in fact, under consideration with claims 1-3. Claims 4-5 and 76 which are dependent on allowable claim 2 (now claim 1) and require all the limitations of claim 2 are also believed to be allowable.

The rejection of claims 1 and 103 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by and under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 4,798,823 to Witzel is respectfully traversed in view of the above amendments and the following remarks. In particular, applicants have amended claim 1 to incorporate the language of claim 2, which is indicated to be allowable. Accordingly, this rejection should be withdrawn.

In view of all of the foregoing, applicants submit that this case is in condition for allowance and such allowance is earnestly solicited. In addition, applicants respectfully request rejoinder of withdrawn claims 183-188, which depend from and require all the limitations of allowable claim 1.

Respectfully submitted,

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